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SUBJECT: OECD NOVEMBER 8-9 MEETING

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1. IN ABSENCE GRANDY, WHO IN SOUTH PACIFIC ON TRADE  
MISSION, ECON COUNS DISCUSSED AND LEFT TALKING PAPERS  
BASED ON PERTINENT PORTION REFTELS WITH ROBERT  
LATIMER, ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, TRADE  
AND COMMERCE. LATIMER WILL ATTEND XCSS BUT TOLD US  
THAT DEPUTY FINANCE MINISTER S. S. REISMAN WILL BE  
BE SENIOR GOC REPRESENTATIVE.

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2. AGRICULTURE: LATIMER SAID GOC WOULD LOOK CAREFULLY AT U.S. STUDY PROPOSAL AND BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IT AT NOVEMBER 7 DINNER MEETING. WHILE PROMISING TO TRY TO GIVE US MORE CONSIDERED REACTION BEFORE XCSS MEETING, LATIMER--AFTER FIRST QUICK READING OF U.S. PAPER-- QUESTIONED OUR SELECTION OF THE GRAIN-FEED-LIVESTOCK SECTOR AND ASKED RHETORICALLY WHAT U.S. REACTION WOULD BE IF GOC CONDITIONED ITS AGREEMENT TO STUDY ON INCLUDING OTHER SECTORS, E.G. DAIRY PRODUCTS, OIL SEEDS. HE THOUGHT EC WOULD RESIST STUDY SINCE IT DISREGARDS EC EMPHASIS ON SOCIAL ASPECTS OF CAP. HE RECALLED OUR PREVIOUS INITIATIVES ON AGRICULTURE IN OECD AND WHAT HE TERMED APPARENT U.S. DESIRE FOR CONFRONTATION ON CAP AND NOTED THAT WHILE WE NOT NOW APPROACHING MATTER IN SAME DOCTRINAL WAY, EC MEMORIES WOULD LINGER AND COMMUNITY WOULD PROBABLY NOT ACCEPT OUR MOTIVES. LATIMER ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN IDENTITY OF EXPERTS AND WONDERED WHETHER WE REALLY INTENDED THAT THEY BE "INDEPENDENT"; HE ADDED THAT IN CASE OF REY HIGH LEVEL TRADE GROUP, GOC TOOK SERIOUSLY AGREEMENT TO APPOINT INDEPENDENT EXPERT ONLY TO FIND U.S. HAD CHOSEN SENIOR GOVT. OFFICIAL. LATIMER RECOGNIZED STUDY'S LINK WITH MTN BUT THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL HAVE MORE PRECISE U.S. COMMENT ON HOW WE HOPED TO USE STUDY.

3. INVESTMENT/MCN: EXPRESSING PERSONAL VIEW, LATIMER SAID THIS A DIFFICULT AND COMPLEX AREA REQUIRING MUCH FACTUAL ANALYSIS WHICH HAS YET TO BE DONE. HE SAID THAT WE SEEMED TO BE TAKING A EUROPEAN APPROACH--I.E. SETTING OUT PRINCIPLES AND HOPING THEY MEET SUBSEQUENTLY DEVELOPED FACTS--AND THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF GUIDELINES WITHOUT KNOWING PARAMETERS MIGHT SET BACK RATHER THAN ADVANCE ARRIVAL AT CONSENSUS. HE THOUGHT THAT WE WERE "RUSHING" THE ISSUE AND SAID THAT IF WE WANTED AGREEMENT, WE MUST LOOK FOR AREAS OF CONSENSUS THAT RECOGNIZE SENSITIVITIES AND PREOCCUPATIONS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY HOPES FOR A MORE DEFINITIVE COMMENT FROM CANADIANS NEXT WEEK BUT FROM FIRST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REACTION WOULD EXPECT GENERAL SUPPORT FOR AGRICULTURE STUDY PROPOSAL AND RESISTANCE TO PROGRESS ON EXPERTS' CONSIDERATION OF INVESTMENT GUIDELINES. CANADIAN SENSITIVITIES ON INVESTMENT ISSUE ARE, OF COURSE, WELL KNOWN. GOVERNMENT'S LONG-PENDING FOREIGN INVESTMENT REVIEW ACT IS EXPECTED TO COME BEFORE HOUSE OF COMMONS NEXT WEEK, AND MAY WELL BE UNDER DEBATE AT TIME OF XCSS MEETING.

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